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## Novartis AG Current Report on Form 6-K (Commission File No. 1-15024)

## Ladies and Gentlemen:

On behalf of Novartis AG, please find enclosed a copy of a Report on Form 6-K dated June 26, 2002 submitted electronically through EDGAR, under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

If the Staff wishes to discuss this matter at any time, please telephone (collect) any of James M. Bartos, Louis Lehot or the undersigned in our London office at (44-207) 655-5000.

Very truly yours,

Eurydice Goulet Legal Assistant

## Enclosure

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

## FORM 6-K

## REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 or 15d-16 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Report on Form 6-K dated June 26, 2002

Novartis AG (Name of Registrant)

Lichtstrasse 35 4056 Basel Switzerland

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

Form  $20-F \times F$  Form 40-F

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes \_\_ No X

## **Enclosures:**

- 1. Invitation for Telephone Conference, First Half 2002 Sales & Results; and
- 2. Pre-Results Announcement, Quarterly Breakdown 2001.

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## - INVITATION FOR TELEPHONE CONFERENCE -

## First Half 2002 Sales & Results

## Dear Investor

We are pleased to invite you to our First Half Sales & Results 2002 conference call. Please below the following dial-in numbers:

Date: Monday, July 22, 2002

Time: Advisable: dial-in 10 minutes before

06.00 p.m. Switzerland

05.00 p.m. UK

12.00 p.m. New York

Phone numbers: +41 91 610 4111 or Free-phone +800 2467 8700 Europe and ROW

+1 800 860 2442 US

You may access the conference call as a live audio webcast on the Internet: <a href="http://www.novartis.com/investors">http://www.novartis.com/investors</a> (under Upcoming Event). This information will be available for tests and for the submission of questions in advance from July 15, 2002 on.

Additional information will be available on Monday, July 22, on the Internet http://www.novartis.com/investors/sales\_results\_releases.shtml

## Playback for 48 hours

Date: Monday, July 22, 2002

Time: 07.00 p.m. Switzerland

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01.00 p.m. New York

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## **Pre-Results Announcement**

## **Quarterly Breakdown 2001**

Investor Relations, June 2002

## Comments

On the following slides you will find for 2001

Sector sales and operating income figures updated for the split of Consumer Health into OTC, Medical Nutrition and Infant & Baby

 Sector sales figures showing a regional breakdown into US and Ro≪

Breakdown of quarterly operating margins

# **Quarterly Breakdown of Sales by Sector 2001**

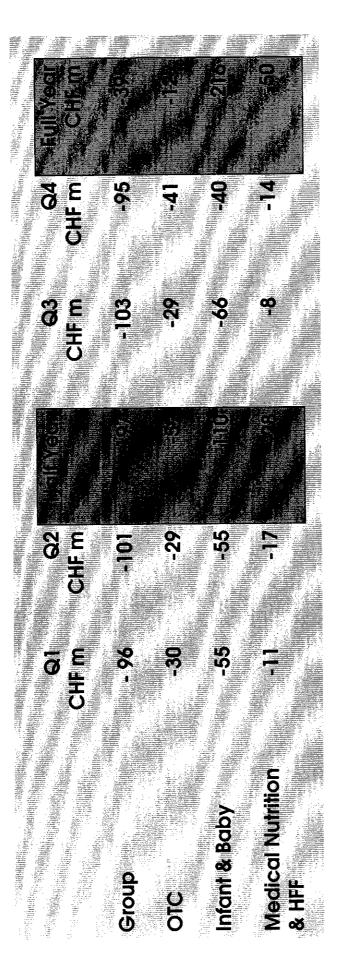
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## **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

## **Novartis AG**

Date: June 26, 2002 By: /s/ MALCOLM B. CHEETHAM

Name: Malcolm B. Cheetham Title: Head Group Financer

Group Fin. Reporting and Accounting